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CHAOTIC CONDITION IN CGHS DISPENSARIES
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the chaotic condition in the CGHS dispensaries in the country particularly in Delhi as reported in the Nav Bharat Times dated September 29, 2003;

(b) if so, the facts thereof alongwith the reasons therefor; and

(c) the response of the Government thereto?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a)to(c): CGHS dispensaries in the country are functioning satisfactorily.

The services .in the CGHS dispensaries are equally provided toall the beneficiaries irrespective o f the category to which the beneficiary belongs.

As far as CGHS dispensary at Mayur Vihar is concerned,regular inspections have been carried out by Senior Officers of the CGHS and the conditions as reported in the news item have not been noticed during these inspections.

Adequate stock of medicines/ drugs is available in the CGHS dispensaries.Medicines, which are not available in the dispensaries, are indented with the Authorised Local Chemists appointed by the CGHSbased on individual prescription of the beneficiaries. The indented medicines are normally supplied to the beneficiaries on the next working day. For urgently required medicines, authority slips are issued to the beneficiaries for obtaining them directly from the authorised local chemists without making any payment so as to avoid any inconvenience to the beneficiaries.